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SUBJ: KABALEBO PROJECT AND THE WORLD BANK

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1. NETHERLANDS DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION MISSION HAS CONFIRMED RECENT NEWSPAPER REPORTS THAT THE WORLD BANK HAS PROVISIONALLY AGREED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MULTIMILLION DOLLAR KABALEBO HYDROELECTRIC SCHEME IN WESTERN SURINAM. BANK'S PARTICIPATION, WHICH WAS AGREED UPON IN A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED IN PARAMARIBO BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BANK, THE GOS AND THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT WEEK OF MAY 2, IS CONDITIONED UPON SATISFACTORY RESULTS OF SEVERAL STUDIES YET TO BE MADE INCLUDING AN EVALUATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED DAM, AN ANALYSIS OF THE ENERGY NEEDS OF THE AREA, AN EXAMINATION OF THE FINANCING OF THE PROJECT, AND ADDITIONAL TEST BORINGS FOR BAUXITE IN THE SURROUNDING REGION. DEVELOPMENT MISSION SOURCES INDICATE THAT IBRD HAS STILL NOT SHOWN ANY WILLING-
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NESS TO PARTICIPATE IN PROJECT FINANCIALLY BUT WOULD TAKE OVER RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND GUIDANCE OF PROJECT. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING REPORTEDLY ALSO INCLUDES A NETHERLANDS COMMITMENT OF AN UNDISCLOSED AMOUNT AS ITS SHARE OF THE FUNDING OF THE PROJECT.

2. ALTHOUGH INVITATION FOR PRE-QUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS WAS ISSUED LAST AUGUST, KABALEBO PROJECT HAS BEEN STALLED

BECAUSE OF IBRD'S UNWILLINGNESS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT
AND GOS'S INABILITY SO FAR TO ATTRACT ANY OTHER PARTICIPANTS.
SINCE SURINAM HAS STILL NOT OFFICIALLY JOINED IMF OR THE IBRD
AND SINCE FURTHER STUDIES DEMANDED BY THE BANK WILL REQUIRE SOME
TIME TO COMPLETE, WE CAN EXPECT THAT KABALEBO PROJECT WILL NOT
MOVE AHEAD VERY RAPIDLY AT LEAST THROUGHT THE REMAINDER OF
THIS YEAR.
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